

Jordan Program Summary

Jordan's program supported reforms in the areas of political rights, civil liberties, voice and accountability, and economic freedom. It is designed to broaden public participation in local political and electoral processes, increase government transparency and accountability and enhance the business climate through customs modernization.

Program Highlights

Local Governance Development Program

- ★ All technical assistance activities were concluded this quarter.
- ★ Copies of the Women's Knowledge Network (WKN) Three Year Strategic Plan, and a study titled "Factors Affected Women's Success in the Municipal and Parliamentary Elections of 2007" were distributed to the Jordanian National Commission for Women, Jordan's 93 municipalities, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation. The WKN website was officially registered to the Jordanian National Commission for Women; ensuring sustainability after the end of the program.
- ★ Feasibility and market studies for Public Private Partnership projects were finalized and distributed to relevant municipalities and national stakeholders. In addition, four municipalities have made contacts with private investors and are explore future projects.
- ★ All of the Special Incentives Fund's projects are on target to be completed by the program's completion date. All heavy equipment has been delivered and training on usage of the equipment has been completed.

Customs Administration and Modernization

- ★ The Customs component officially ended on January 15 with all activities meeting or exceeding their programmatic targets.

Threshold Status

Status.....Program Completed

Threshold Information

Total Amount.....\$25 million

Agreement Signed.....October 17, 2006

Country Information

Population.....5,411,151*

GNI Per Capita Income.....\$2,500*